

PRESIDING OFFICER'S  
RULING NO. N2012-1/45

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Mail Processing Network  
Rationalization Service Changes, 2012

Docket No. N2012-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING CONCERNING FILING OF ANSWERS TO  
AMERICAN POSTAL WORKERS UNION, AFL-CIO MOTION TO COMPEL

(Issued April 18, 2012)

On April 18, 2012, the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO, filed a motion to compel responses to interrogatories APWU/USPS-T6-28, 29, 31-33 and 36.<sup>1</sup> The interrogatories were filed on April 6, 2012, the deadline for filing discovery for the purpose of developing intervenor testimony.<sup>2</sup> On April 16, 2012, the Postal Service objected to providing responses.<sup>3</sup>

By rule, an answer to a motion to compel is due 7 days after the motion is filed. See 39 CFR § 3001.26(d). However, the deadline for filing intervenor testimony is April 23, 2012. Thus, the deadline for filing answers to the Motion shall be accelerated to April 20, 2012.

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<sup>1</sup> Answers to American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO, Motion to Compel Responses to APWU Interrogatories APWU/USPS-T6-28, 29, 31-33 and 36, April 18, 2012 (Motion).

<sup>2</sup> Interrogatories of the American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO to USPS Witness Cheryl Martin (APWU/USPS-T-6-28-37), April 6, 2012. See P.O. Ruling N2012-1/5, Presiding Officer's Ruling Establishing Procedural Schedule, January 12, 2012.

<sup>3</sup> Objections of the United States Postal Service to American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO Interrogatories (APWU/USPS-T6-28 Through 37), April 16, 2012.

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Answers to American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO, Motion to Compel Responses to APWU Interrogatories APWU/USPS-T6-28, 29, 31-33 and 36, filed on April 18, 2012, are due by the close of business April 20, 2012.

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